

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## In Re Application of:

Ari B. Naim

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For: PORTABLE AUDIO PLAYBACK UNIT

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; and

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a

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is sought on the invention, whose title appears above, the specification of which:

☒ is attached hereto.  
☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ said application having been amended on \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to be material to the patentability of this application in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a-d) of any **foreign application(s)** for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of any application on which priority is claimed:

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Serial Number

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

Serial Number

Date Filed

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I hereby appoint the following persons of the firm of **WOODCOCK WASHBURN KURTZ MACKIEWICZ & NORRIS LLP**, One Liberty Place - 46th Floor, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103 as attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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**STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR  
1.9(d) and 1.27(c)) - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN**

I hereby declare that I am:

- ☒ the owner of the small business concern identified below:
- ☒ an official empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

**NAME OF CONCERN:**  
**ADDRESS OF CONCERN:**

**SYCOM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.**  
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Ewing, NJ 08628

I hereby declare that the above-identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.12, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that: (1) the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons; and (2) the concern has not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and is under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern or a nonprofit organization under this section. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention described in the

- ☒ specification filed herewith, with title as listed above.
- ☐ application identified above.
- ☐ patent number identified above.

If the rights held by the above-identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights in the invention is listed below\* and no rights

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to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d), or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

**\*NOTE:** Separate statements are required for each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

**FULL NAME:**

**ADDRESS:**

☐ **INDIVIDUAL** ☐ **SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN** ☐ **NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION**

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

**NAME OF PERSON SIGNING:**

**TITLE IN ORGANIZATION:**

**ADDRESS OF PERSON SIGNING:**

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**SIGNATURE**

September 29, 1999  
**DATE**